

# Adjutant General

## ❖ *Mission and philosophy*

**Title 19 mission:** Provide a trained and ready force responsive to the Governor of Wyoming for assistance in the protection of life, property and the preservation of peace, order and public safety during natural and man-made disasters within the state.

**Strategic plan mission statement:** "We are the Wyoming Military Department, ready to defend and serve America and Wyoming."

## ❖ *Results of outcomes*

The Wyoming Military Department's goal is to provide a trained, quality-based force of people supported by appropriate equipment, facilities and real property, technology, and support services to successfully execute its federal and state missions.

The Wyoming National Guard Headquarters, under the direction of the Plans and Operations office, planned and prepared for contingency operations in regard to Y2K. Although not used, this process was valuable for total training and similar exercises. In September 1999 the 115th Field Artillery Brigade (FAB) deployed 50 soldiers to Hawaii for two weeks to support the First (U.S.) Corps Warfighter Exercise, "Cascade Peak." In January 2000 the 115th FAB deployed 28 people to Japan as part of the "Yama Sakura Exercise." During the year, the 115th FAB received a TQM41A Meteorological Station. When it was fielded, it was only the second of its kind in the entire U.S. Army.

The 2nd Battalion, 300th Field Artillery (FA) had a busy year participating in multiple exercises such as assisting with the annual Teton Music Festival in Jackson. They took part in the "Tropic Lightning" Command Post Exercise (CPX), conducted a WETS (Weekend Training Shoot) live fire shoot in September and assisted in the armory reutilization plan when the armories in the towns of Thermopolis, Rawlins and Riverton were turned into community facilities. Annual Training (AT) for the 2-300th FA was unique this year in that the first ever winter AT was conducted at Camp Guernsey. The Battalion conducted a second one-week training period, concentrating on artillery skills at the battery and battalion level. While keeping busy with training exercises, the 2-300th found time to host the Wyoming National Guard Convention in Cody. The artillery was fielded with state of the art fire direction software for their Automated Fire Support System, which is capable of tactical and technical fire direction that can be fully integrated with all U.S. Army systems. Finally, military funerals are always important and the Battalion participated in more than 60 during the year.

In January 2000 the 1022nd Air Ambulance unit deployed 10 people to Ft. Polk, La., to the Joint Readiness

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### **Other locations**

Armories are located in Afton, Casper, Cheyenne, Cody, Douglas, Evanston, Gillette, Guernsey, Lander, Laramie, Lovell, Powell, Rock Springs, Sheridan, Torrington, Wheatland and Worland. Wyoming Emergency Management Agency (WEMA) has a maintenance and calibration facility at 624 East Pershing Blvd., Cheyenne. Oregon Trail State Veterans Cemetery is located in Evansville. Veterans Affairs Commission is located in the Casper Armory.

### **Year established and reorganized**

Wyoming Army National Guard was established in 1870; Wyoming Air National Guard, 1946; and Wyoming Emergency Management Agency (WEMA), 1950. The Wyoming Military Department was reorganized in 1986 and 1998.

### **Statutory references**

Wyoming Statutes Title 19

### **Number of authorized personnel**

Total, 2,655: includes Army National Guard, 1,468; Air National Guard, 993; state employees, 194. State employees include 25 WEMA, two Veterans Cemetery employees and one Veterans Affairs Commission employee.

### **Organizational structure**

Adjutant General's Office, Wyoming Army National Guard, Wyoming Air National Guard, Wyoming Emergency Management Agency, Wyoming Veterans Affairs Commission, Oregon Trail State Veterans Cemetery

### **Clients served**

The residents of Wyoming and the United States, National Guard Bureau, Department of Defense, Federal Emergency Management Agency, county Emergency Management agencies

### **Budget information**

Wyoming Army National Guard	\$30,169,439
Wyoming Air National Guard	26,590,618
Wyoming Emergency Management Agency	2,628,456
Oregon Trail State Veterans Cemetery	258,603
Starbase	218,537
Veterans Education	21,882
Veterans Affairs Commission	28,771
Capital outlay, maintenance, administration	9,025,926
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$68,942,232</b>
Federal funds	\$66,060,573
State funds	\$2,881,659

Training Center, as part of the MEDEVAC TEAM SUPPORT. When the 1022nd received notification of their potential rotation to Bosnia, projected to be during the early months of the year 2001, they began intensive training in preparation for certification for overseas deployment.

During May, the 197th Engineer Detachment traveled to Germany for AT. This was the last AT for the 197th, as it will be deactivated later in the year. The 960th Maintenance Company deployed 60 people to Italy in June, which was their AT as well.

In support of individual and collective readiness goals, other units throughout the state conducted training in various locations. The 1041st Engineer Company (Assault Float Bridge) hosted the annual Boss Lift which brought 30 employers and their representatives to Rock Springs by C-130 aircraft and then by UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter to Flaming Gorge Reservoir. While there, they observed the 1041st, which launched bridge sections and assembled them into a floating raft section in record time. The 133rd Engineer Company continued to improve drainage and parking lots at the University of Wyoming. The 67th Army Band performed at the Governor's Ball in October and again for the Secretary of the Army in Laramie in November. They also toured the state during the year, reaching audiences throughout Wyoming.

Public Affairs, both from State Area Command and the 197th Public Affairs (PA) team, were busy providing support throughout the year. Public Affairs issued 71 press releases and fielded 51 community support event requests. Recruiting and training videos were assembled for the 1022nd and 1041st units. The annual Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve "Boss Lift" was chronicled in both still photos and video. A new state of the art digital video editing system was acquired along with two new still digital cameras. Three members of the PA team deployed to Japan for two weeks in support of the "Yama Sakura Exercise".

The 4th ROC ID (Rear Operations Center, Infantry Division), which is located in Casper, received Force XXI digital equipment during the fiscal year. Received were two Maneuver Control System computers, an All Source Analysis computer, three Advanced Communications Improvement programs, a Single Channel Ground Airborne Radio system, and three Precision Lightweight GPS (Global Positioning System) Receiver systems. This new equipment not only brought the 4th ROC ID up to date, it is currently the only National Guard unit to receive this equipment.

In October 1999, the town of Lusk lost all electrical power for six days. The Wyoming Army National Guard sent 12 generators and 18 personnel there to assist the town and surrounding area until electrical power was restored.

Camp Guernsey continues to grow with regard to its use. During the year, 5,104 individuals spent one or more days at Camp Guernsey. Man-days recorded were 1,459. Fifteen states and 129 different units were

represented along with the Royal Air Force from Great Britain, which sent 15 personnel for 25 days of training. The Combined Vehicle Maintenance Facility at Camp Guernsey is approximately 90 percent complete and is within budget and on schedule. The Camp Guernsey fuel point is nearly 63 percent complete and is scheduled for completion this fall.

A constitutional amendment affecting both the Air and Army National Guard will be on the November 7, 2000, ballot. If enacted, it would repeal the requirement that any person appointed to a military office — other than the offices of adjutant general, assistant adjutant general for the Army National Guard and assistant adjutant general for the Air National Guard — must be a qualified elector. A second provision would change current eligibility requirements to allow any qualified resident to serve in the state militia if he or she is between the ages of 17 and 70 and allow nonresidents who are accepted into service to serve if they meet the other requirements.

The Wyoming Air National Guard has also had a busy year. The 153rd Maintenance Team consists of the Maintenance Squadron, Aircraft Generation Squadron, Logistics Support Flight, and Quality Assurance. This team of 170 members was instrumental in ensuring that the Wing's worldwide flying mission was supported in an outstanding manner. The Maintenance Team supported two major back-to-back deployments to Germany: Shining Hope, with a total of 108 personnel from June 12 to Aug. 13, and the first Aerospace Expeditionary Force (AEF) deployment, "Joint Endeavor", with a total of 130 personnel. These deployments were followed by two additional deployments of 21 personnel each to Puerto Rico in support of "Coronet Oak". While accomplishing these missions and others, 2,617 mishap-free flying hours were accumulated.

Throughout the year, the 187th Air Evacuation Squadron (AES) was involved with several exercises, deployments, and other events. Personnel participated in the Special Operations Joint Forces Exercise '99, the Aeromedical Evacuation Contingency Operations Training course, Personnel Recovery course, Advanced Cardiac Life Support courses, Contingency Wartime Planning course and the Biological Warfare Management course. In January, the 187th Airlift Squadron participated in the "New Horizon Exercise," in Haiti. This involved seven crew members, 40 clinic personnel and three pallets of material. In February, the 187th began flying operational missions between Cheyenne and Peterson Field AFB, Colorado. It is the first C-130 unit — active, guard, or reserve — to fly regularly scheduled operational missions and the first time this unit has flown operational missions in more than 17 years. The missions are flown every other week, moving patients from Cheyenne to Colorado Springs and back. In addition, the 187th participated in the first AEF rotations, filling in shortfalls for other Air National Guard, Air Force Reserve and active duty units. Deployments were to Germany, Macedonia, Kosovo and Kuwait.

During July 1999, the 153rd Civil Engineering Squadron deployed 28 engineers to Mescalero, N.M. to support the construction of a fire station for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. In March, the unit deployed to the Combat Readiness Training Center, Gulfport, Miss. Fifty-five engineers and firefighters conducted required annual training including MAFFS (Modular Air Fire Fighting System) recertification.

The 243rd Air Traffic Control Squadron received a new mobile control tower in July 1999, and a new temporary administration facility in December. The 243rd deployed two air traffic controllers in support of AEF Number 9. Additionally, they provided three maintainers to Global Patriot in Dugway, Utah, in support of the 241st Air Traffic Control Squadron's "Operational Readiness Evaluation". Throughout the year, the Logistics Non-Commissioned Officer was called upon to assist the Air National Guard's Mobility Training Center in Alexandria, La. The center provides courses in Combat Familiarization, which are required for all members of the squadron.

During the year, 1,133 Wyoming National Guard personnel were deployed to various sites around the state of Wyoming, 11 different states in the United States and 14 separate countries world wide. Economic impact to Wyoming from the National Guard for the year was more than \$68 million.

### ❖ *Strategic plan changes*

Refer to the agency strategic plan dated July 1, 1999, and also the revised agency strategic plan dated June 1, 2000.

## Adjutant General organization chart

